

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESEE

May 13, 2002

IN RE:

**PETITION OF CHATTANOOGA GAS
COMPANY FOR APPROVAL OF CHANGE
IN PURCHASE GAS ADJUSTMENT**

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**DOCKET NO.
02-00383**

**ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE PROCEEDING
AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER ON THE MERITS**

This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on May 7, 2002, upon the *Petition of Chattanooga Gas Company for Approval of Change in Purchase Gas Adjustment* ("Petition") filed by the Chattanooga Gas Company ("CGC") on April 8, 2002.

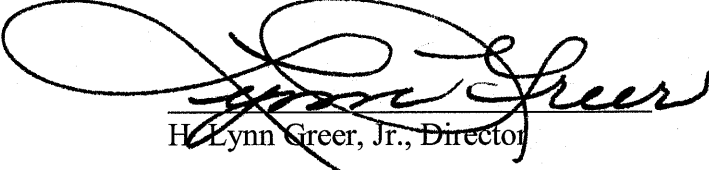
At the above-referenced Authority Conference, the Directors voted unanimously to convene a contested case proceeding in this matter and appoint the Authority's General Counsel or his designee to act as the Hearing Officer for the purposes of setting a procedural schedule to completion, making findings of fact and conclusions of law, as necessary, and rendering an initial decision on the merits of the Petition.

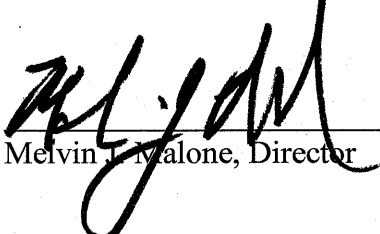
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. A contested case is hereby convened;
2. The General Counsel or his designee is appointed Hearing Officer in this matter to set a procedural schedule to completion, to make findings of fact and conclusions

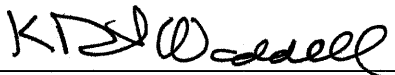
of law, as necessary, and to render an initial decision on the merits of the Petition, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 4-5-301 and 65-2-111 and such other legal authority as may be provided by law.


Sara Kyle, Chairman


H. Lynn Greer, Jr., Director


Melvin J. Malone, Director

ATTEST:


K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary